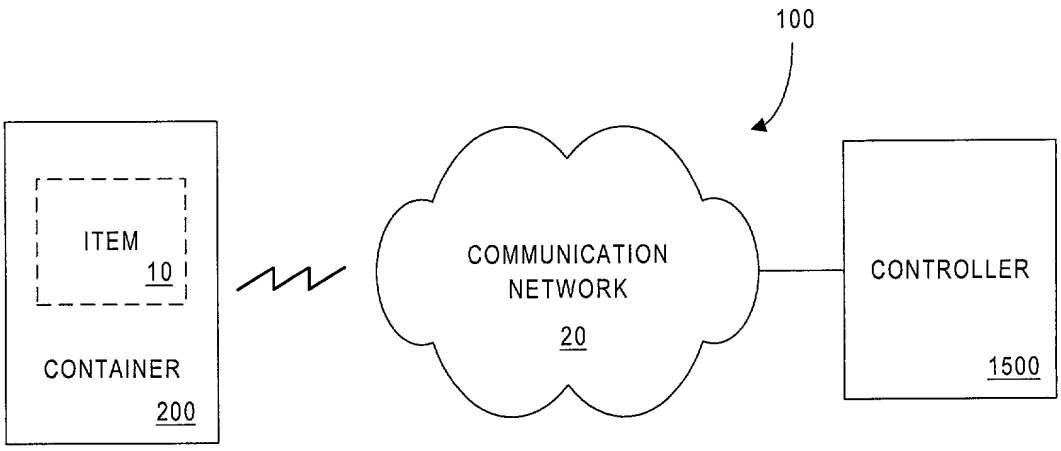
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ITEM
10
CONTAINER
200
COMMUNICATION
NETWORK
20
CONTROLLER
1500

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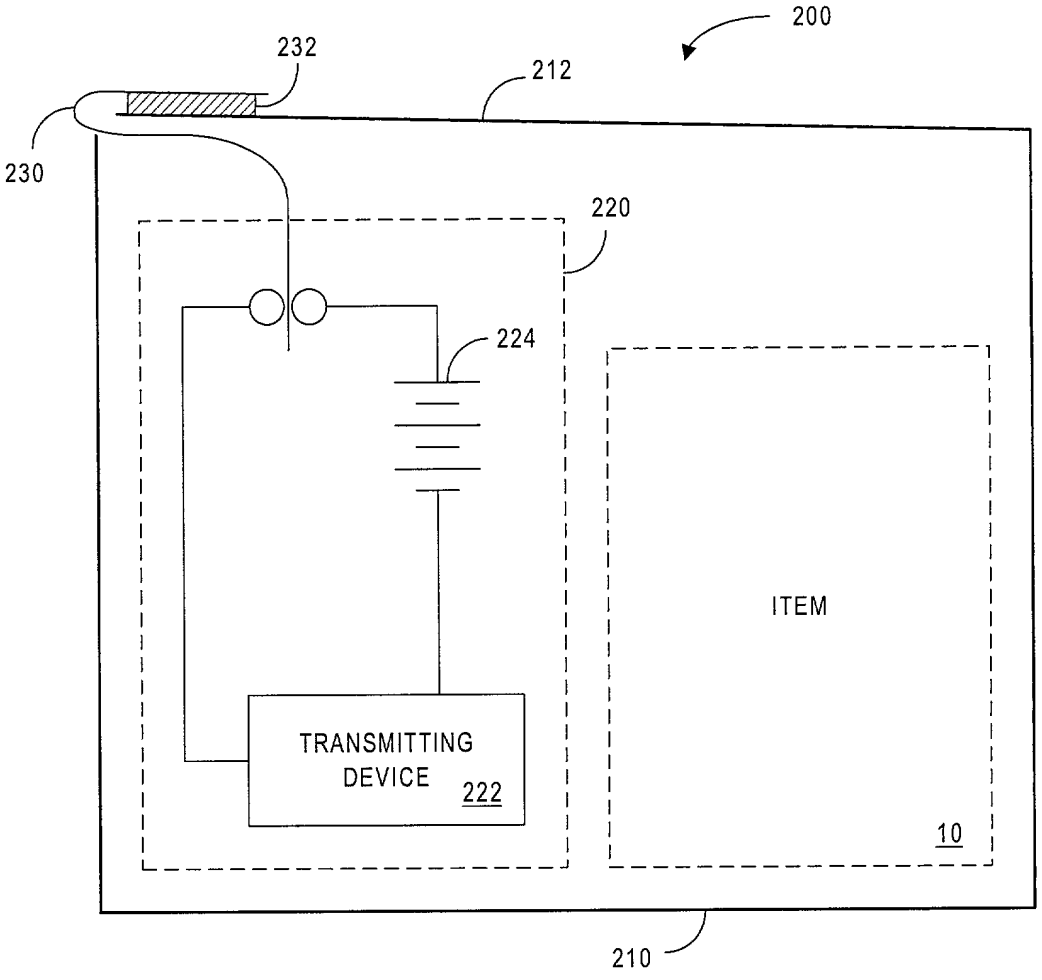

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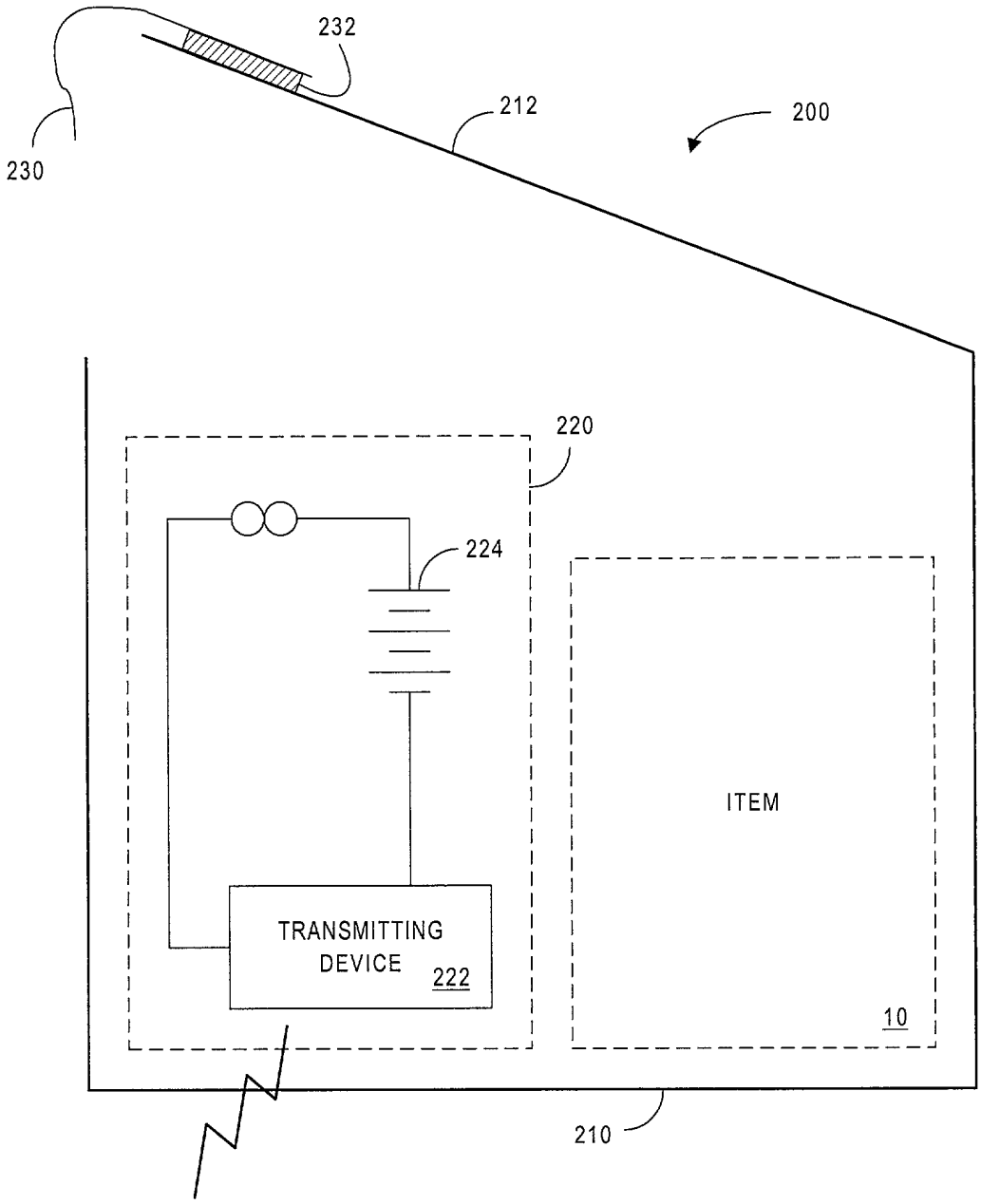

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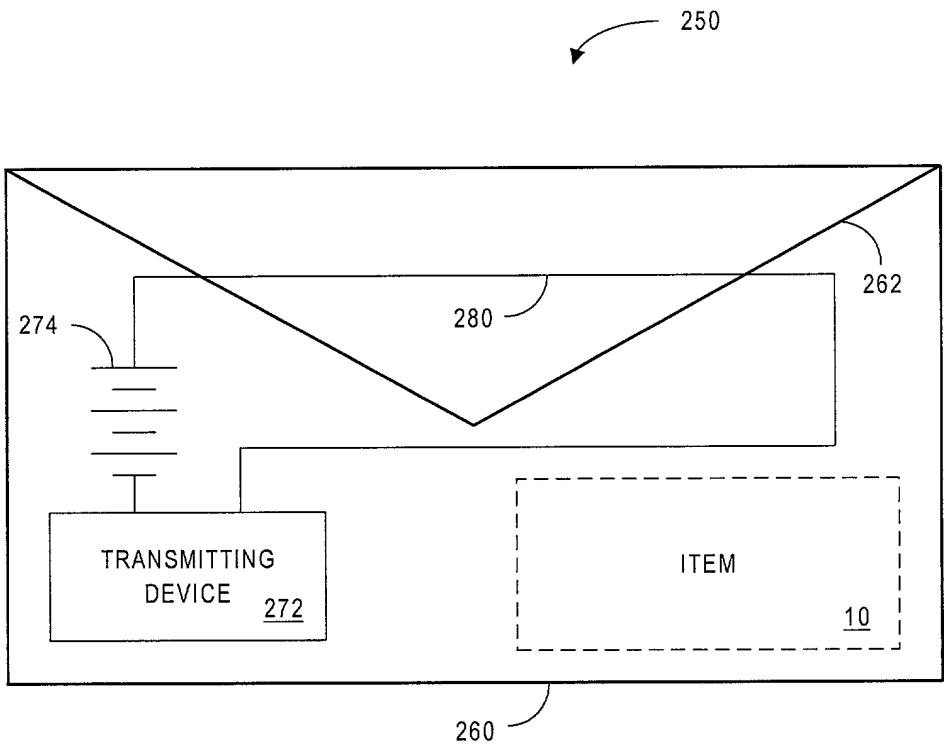

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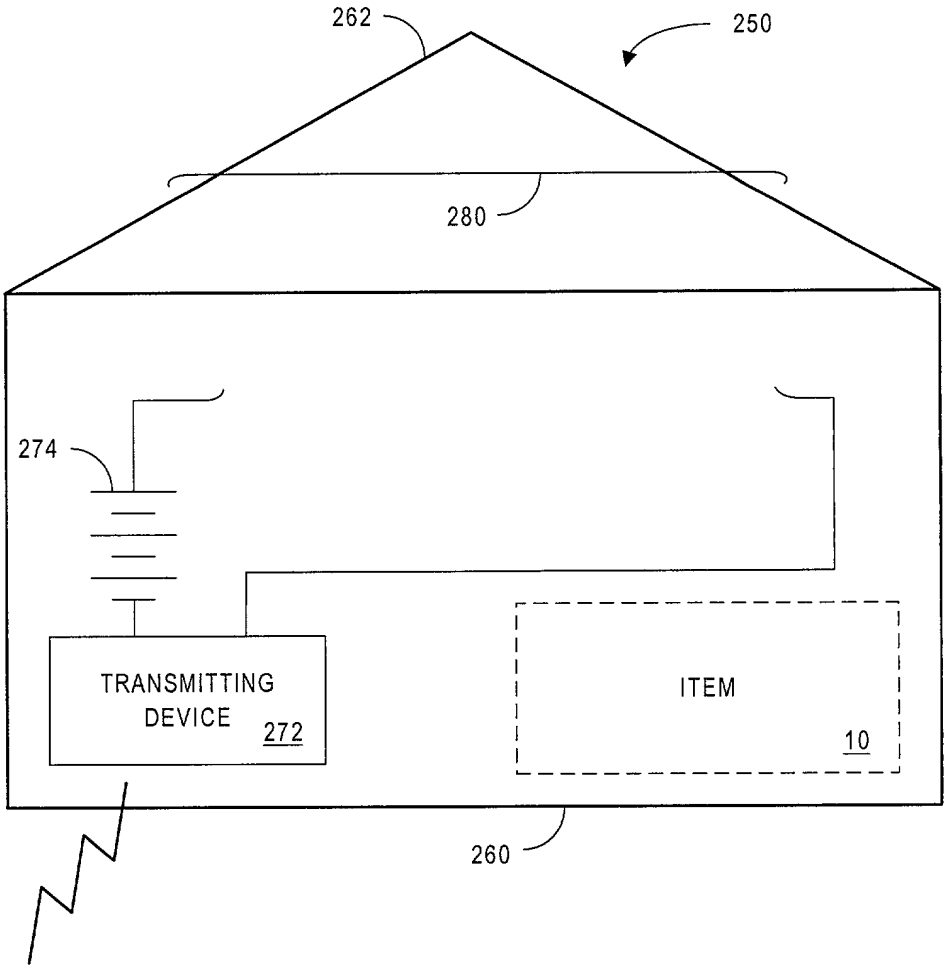

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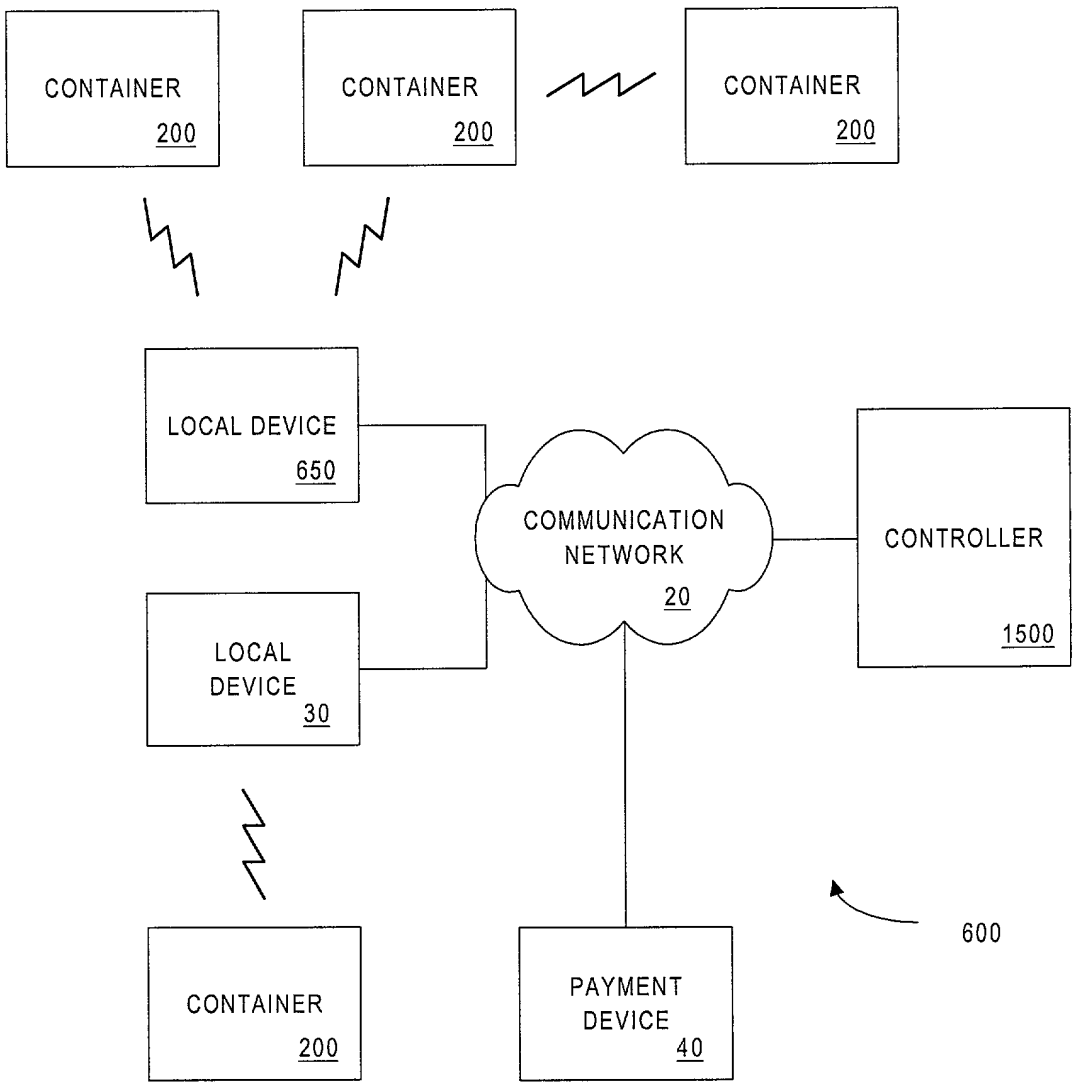

CONTAINER
200
CONTAINER
200
CONTAINER
200
LOCAL DEVICE
650
LOCAL
DEVICE
30
COMMUNICATION
NETWORK
20
CONTROLLER
1500
CONTAINER
200
PAYMENT
DEVICE
40
600

FIG. 6

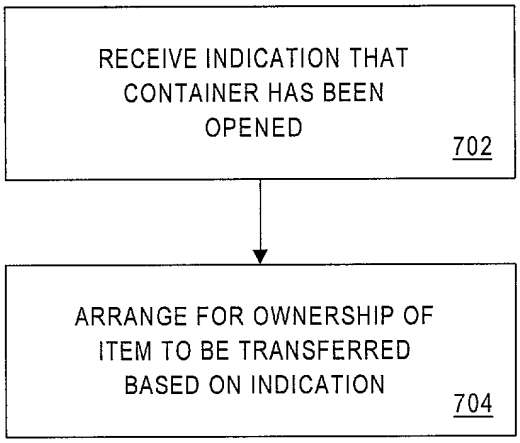

RECEIVE INDICATION THAT CONTAINER HAS BEEN OPENED
702
ARRANGE FOR OWNERSHIP OF ITEM TO BE TRANSFERRED BASED ON INDICATION
704

FIG. 7

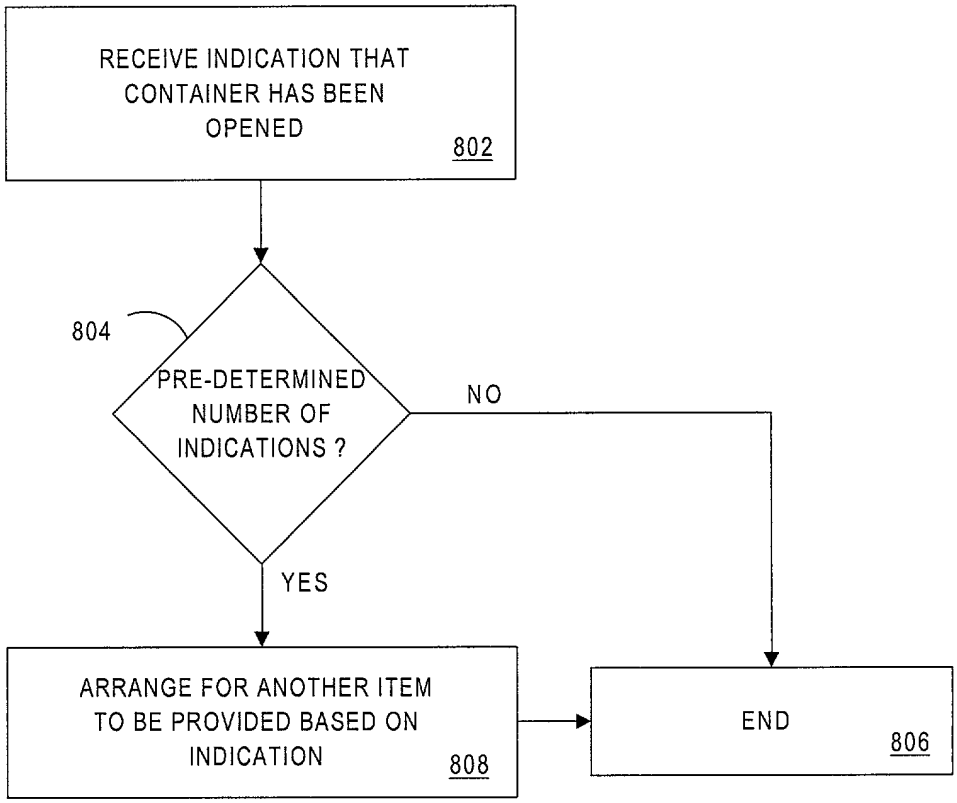

RECEIVE INDICATION THAT CONTAINER HAS BEEN OPENED
802
804
PRE-DETERMINED NUMBER OF INDICATIONS ?
NO
YES
ARRANGE FOR ANOTHER ITEM TO BE PROVIDED BASED ON INDICATION
808
END
806

FIG. 8

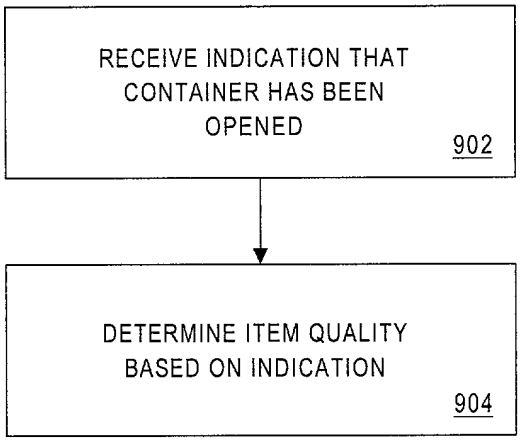
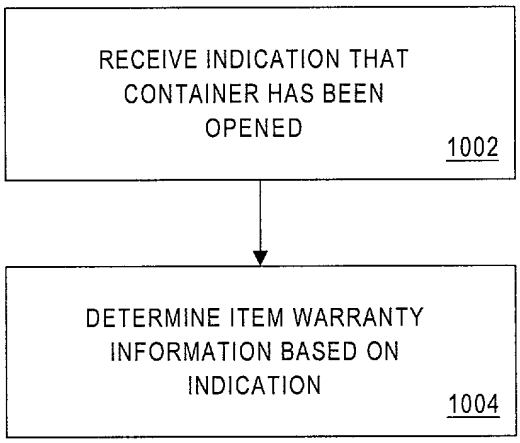

RECEIVE INDICATION THAT CONTAINER HAS BEEN OPENED
902
DETERMINE ITEM QUALITY BASED ON INDICATION
904

FIG. 9


RECEIVE INDICATION THAT CONTAINER HAS BEEN OPENED
1002
DETERMINE ITEM WARRANTY INFORMATION BASED ON INDICATION
1004

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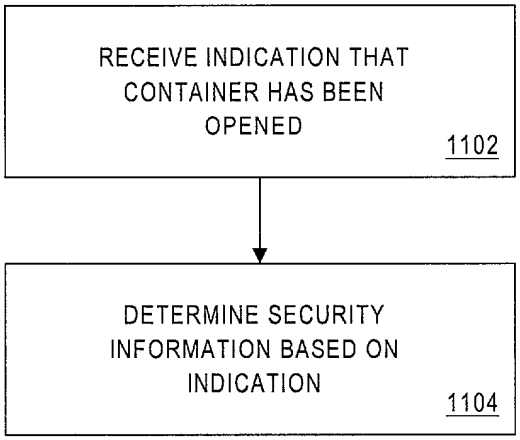
RECEIVE INDICATION THAT CONTAINER HAS BEEN OPENED
1102
DETERMINE SECURITY INFORMATION BASED ON INDICATION
1104

FIG. 11

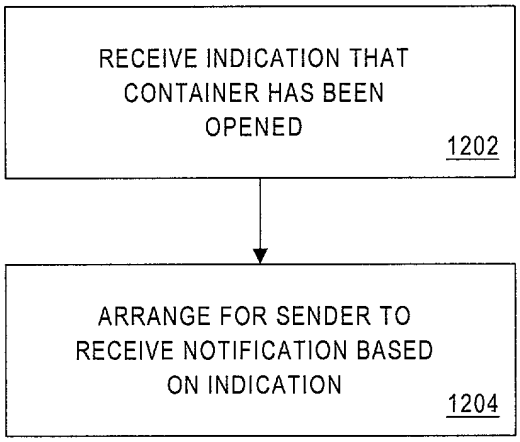
RECEIVE INDICATION THAT CONTAINER HAS BEEN OPENED
1202
ARRANGE FOR SENDER TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION BASED ON INDICATION
1204

FIG. 12

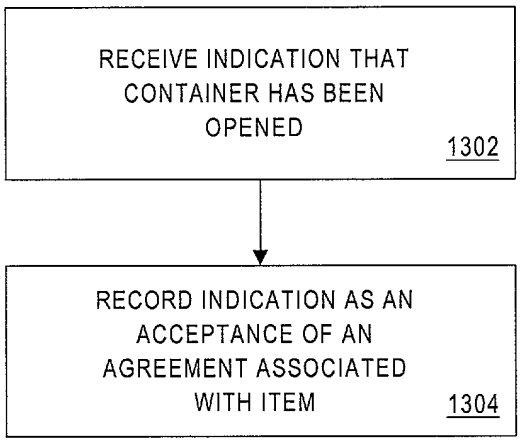
RECEIVE INDICATION THAT CONTAINER HAS BEEN OPENED
1302
RECORD INDICATION AS AN ACCEPTANCE OF AN AGREEMENT ASSOCIATED WITH ITEM
1304

FIG. 13

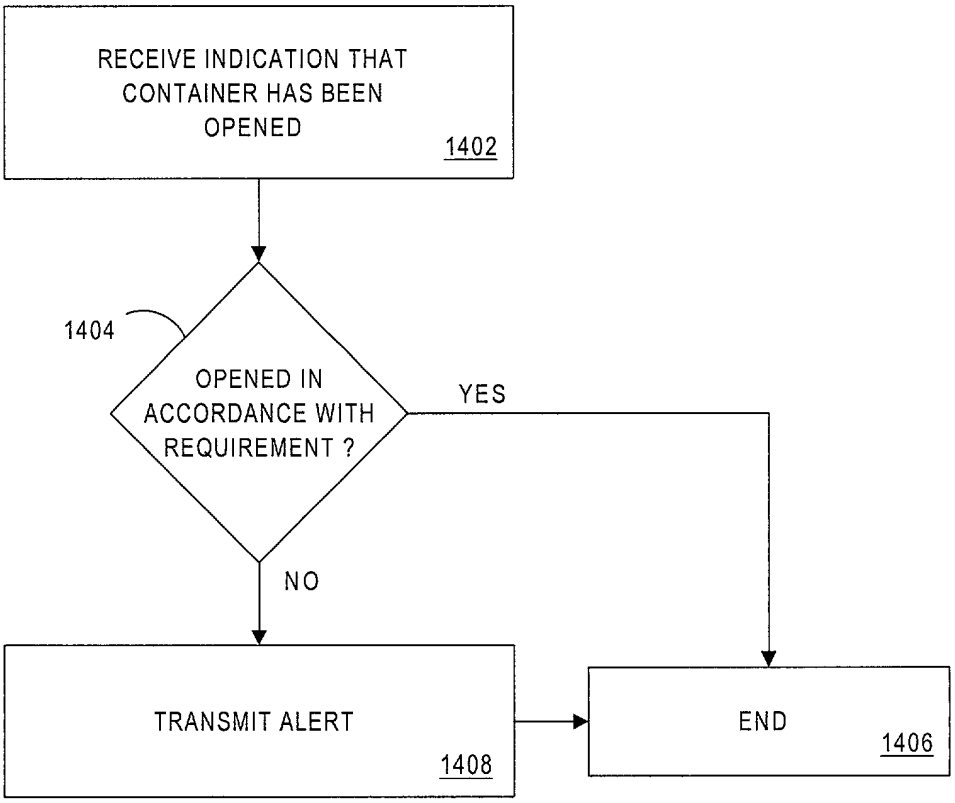
RECEIVE INDICATION THAT CONTAINER HAS BEEN OPENED
1402
1404
OPENED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REQUIREMENT ?
YES
NO
TRANSMIT ALERT
1408
END
1406

FIG. 14

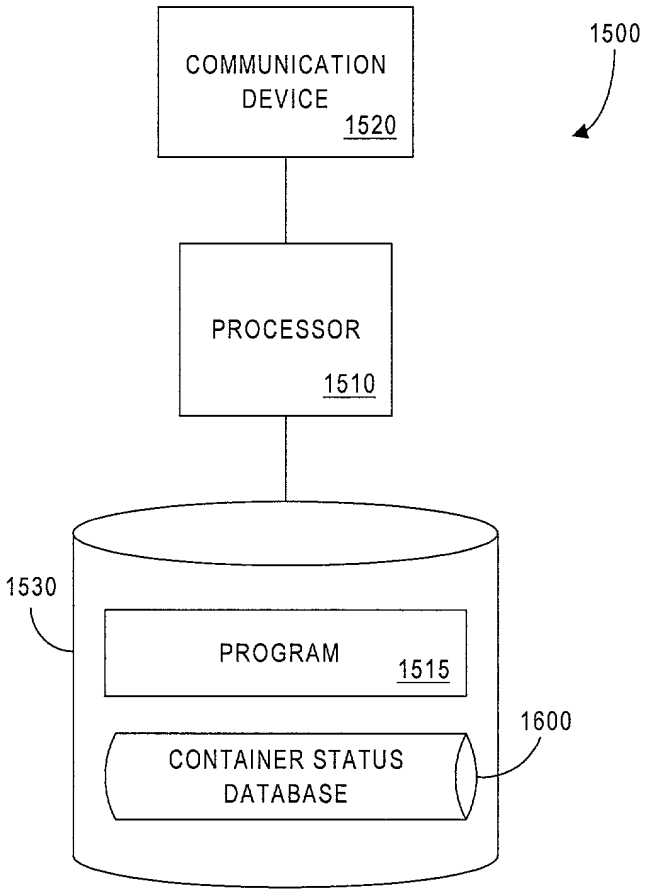
COMMUNICATION DEVICE
1520
1500
PROCESSOR
1510
1530
PROGRAM
1515
1600
CONTAINER STATUS DATABASE

FIG. 15

1600

CONTAINER IDENTIFIER 1602	PARTY IDENTIFIER 1604	STATUS 1606	DATE AND TIME 1608
C101-01	P101	OPENED	12:45 PM 05/01/03
C101-02	P101	NOT OPENED	NONE
C102	P102	OPENED	12:55 PM 05/01/03

FIG. 16